IN THE READING-ROOMS.

HOW HOTEL MEN ARE ANNOYED BY LOITERING CONFIDENCE MEN.

Thieves Who Read Newspapers-Close Scrutiny of the Detective-An Intelligent Class of Burglars-How Newspaper Clippings Lead to Discovery.

There is hardly an hour in the day that well known thieves or confidence men can well known thieves or confidence men can not be found diligently poring over news-papers in the reading rooms of the leading hotels. This is one of the greatest nuisances with which the hotel proprietors have to contend. But it seemed impossible to pre-vent it entirely, as it is exceedingly difficult to discriminate between a gentlemanlyto discriminate between a gentlemanlylooking crook and the guests. The hotel
altertives are constantly ejecting those unwelcome people from the hotels, and not unfrequently, by mistake, prominent mon consider themselves insulted by the detectives'
scrutiny. The reading rooms of the leading hotels are really as accessible as public
libraries. Particularly is this the case at the
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Fifth Avenue, the Windsor, and the Grand Central, which have very large reading youns where the newspapers of the princi-pal cities are kept on file.

Now that the spacious public reading room of the Cooper union has been closed an account of repairs there is really no public reading room where papers are kept on file except at the Y. M. C. A. While the thirty could easily so there to read the the thieves could easily go there to read the papers, the peaceful and religious atmospapers, the peacette and rengious atmosphere of the place does not agree with them, and they prefer going to the hotels at the risk of being kicked out. Hence the reading rooms of the hotels are practically a public lounging place, and a patron of a notel often has to wait hours for these men to get through that he may get a paper. Another objection to these people is that

"The intelligent class of burglars and confidence men," said a well-known detective, "read the leading newspapers of the country almost as carefully as the exchange editor of a daily newspaper. It is one of the most necessary parts of their business in order to be successful. The crook is inan order to be successint. The crook is invariably on the go-to-day in New York, to-morrow in Chicago, and a few days later in San francisco, the also has pals scattered all over the country, and in no way can be keep tr ck of them better than by reading the newspapers. Should an important the country to day in the portant robsery take place to-day in Chi-rago, saturally the police are on the alert, and the professional thief could not do better this give that place a wide birth for the first lew days. Were he to go there he would have certainly be arrested on suspicion in order to keep from falling into the world have the trial the criminal news of the vession. cities. These thieves, as a gen-organised. If goods of great another city for disposal. The value are thief may be arrested after shipment, and his accommice will have no other means of keeping posted except through the mails.

Some valuable diamonds were recently stolen in Bullalo. A man was arrested on suspicion, but none of the stolen property was found in his possession. It was believed that they were sent to Philadelphia to be disposed of by a pal, but there was no way of positively tracing them. These suspi-cions were published in the Buffalo newspapers as it they were really true. Then the police of thiladelphia were notified by the Buffalo autorities to watch for the accom-plice. Detectives watched the public read-ing-rooms of the Quaker City, and at last spotted a young man who seemed to display an eagerness for the Buffalo papers. They watched to see what he read, and saw that he fairly devoured the account of the diamond robbery. He cut the article out of the newspaper, and, slipping it into his pocket, stole from the room. From this the detectives were convinced that the man was implicated. They arrested him, and from papers found in his possession, the diamonds were recovered and both men convicted. It is a common thing when thieves are arrested to find newspaper clip-pings in their possession which lead to the overy of important robberies."-- New

Arthur's Life at the White House. Arthur always had a basket of fresh flowers on his desc before him, and he often wore a bouquet in his buttonhole. He was a hard worker while he was here at Wash ington, though he rose late. His breakfast would usually be taken about 10 o'clock and it generally consisted of a cup of coffee and a role with an egg. Immediately on rising from bed he took a cold bath and a shave. I think he had a man to shave him. After his little snack of breakfast he went of cigars. He sometimes smoked at his work, and during a part of his White House life he would stop work at 5 o'clock and take a herseback ride. He rode good horses and rode them fast, and would get back in time to dress for dinner at about 7.

His dinners were irregular, sometimes later than this. They would last, according to his company, for an hour or more, and it was not an unusual thing for him to sit till 12 o'clock and later at the table. At these times he had, of course, guests, and the dinner was very fine. It is said that he seldom gave a dinner which dld not cost at least 85 a plate. He was a good judge of wines and liked the best, and seldom at a dinner which dld not cost at least 85 a plate. dinner without them. There were flowers always beside his dinner plates, and for each man who sat down at his table there was a buttonhole bouquet, and for each lady a bouquet de cersage.—"Carp" in Cleveland

An English Tramp's Family. A little "Primrose League" newspaper published in Dumfries tells us of a tramp of that place who, with his wife and family, have been subsisting for many weeks on a baby—not as cannibals, but as Christians, in a way that the father explained as folin a way that the father explained as fol-lows: "We just gets 'im christened at all the towns we passes, and then you see the par-son's hof course makes hus comfortable with summat to eat and money for beds. On days awful bad we 'ad to do 'im twice, but generally one christenin' a day does hus."-Leland's London Letter.

Some Queer Postoffices in Tennessee. "We used to have some very queer post-office names in our state," said a Tennessec gentleman whom I met on 'change the other

Seven-Up is there, I believe!" I said. "Seven-Up is there, I believe!" I said.
It used to be," was the answer, "but it has been changed. We have gone into the reform business, and given other names to Damnphool, Damnit, Daddy's Croek, Busted, Drawback, while the latest to go is Angelton. This last has been discontinued altogether.—Cincinnati Times-Star.

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